

Form PTO-1449  <b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION IN AN APPLICATION</b> (Use several sheets if necessary)	ATTY DOCKET NO. 1155-0236P	APPLICATION NO. 10/020,922
APPLICANT Naoto Yasaka et al.		
FILING DATE December 19, 2001		GROUP Unassigned 1772

**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
WBA. ↓	5,182,534	1998-08-11	deGroot et al.	428	36.92	
	5,741,861	1998-04-21	Yamamoto et al.	525	240	
	5,674,945	1997-10-07	Takahashi et al.	525	240	
	5,942,579	1999-08-24	Falla et al.	525	240	

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB CLASS	TRANSLATION	
						YES	NO
WBA WBA ↓	JP 08 197694	1996-08-06	JAPAN			Abs	
	JP 58 140248	1983-08-19	JAPAN			Abs	
	WO 01/53079	2001-07-26	PCT			X	
	EP 1 041 112	2000-10-04	EUROPE			X	

**OTHER DOCUMENTS** (Include Name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.) date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.)


EXAMINER 	DATE CONSIDERED 03/17/03
EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with M.P.E.P. 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.	